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HONGKONG, DECEMBER 31st, 1909.

THOUGH the year just drawing to its close
contributes few events in the Far East of
permanent interest to the record of the
world's history, yet we think there are at
least one or two which may be set down as
epoch-making. The event which has per-
haps the best claim to be so regarded is the
inauguration in China last October of
Provincial Deliberative Councils, as a
preliminary to the full grant of Constitu-
tional Government promised by the late
rulers of the Empire, and confirmed in the
Accession Edict of the present monarch.
The functions of these Provincial Councils
are purely advisory, and the success of the
experiment will depend upon the extent to
which the officials are prepared to accept
the advice tendered by the Councils. Some
amount of friction is only to be expected,
and reports of this nature have already been
published, but the Central Government is
keeping a watchful eye over the experiment
and the instructions which have been issued
from Peking give promise that the recom-
mendations made by the Councils after
careful consideration will not be lightly
disregarded by the Provincial Viceroys.
Important projects of administrative reform
are engaging the attention of many of the
Councils, and this public discussion must
sooner or later bear fruit.

An event in China of international interest
was the assembling at Shanghai of a
Commission to which twelve Powers besides
China sent delegates "to investigate the

opium trade and opium habit in the Far
East." The Commission recognised "the
unswerving sincerity of the Government of
China in their efforts to eradicate the produc-
tion and consumption of opium throughout
the Empire; the increasing body of public
opinion among their own subjects by which
these efforts are being supported; and the
real, though unequal, progress already made
in a task which is one of the greatest mag-
nitude." In view of the action taken by
the Government of China in suppressing the
practice of opium-smoking, and by other Gov-
ernments to the same end, the Commission
recommended that each delegation concerned
should move its own Government to take
measures for the gradual suppression of the
practice of opium smoking in its own terri-
tories and possessions, with due regard to
the varying circumstances of each country
concerned. But these recommendations were
in large measure superfluous, for the steps
recommended had already been taken and
the situation, so far as one
can see, has undergone no important
change. Now, as a year ago, much is said
and written about the suppression of the
cultivation of the poppy in China, but it
is impossible to gauge very accurately
what has been done. The Chinese Com-
missioner at the conference at Shanghai
admitted, with the utmost frankness, that
the statistics and statements he submitted
regarding the extent to which poppy cultiva-
tion and the smoking of opium had been
reduced, were "guesswork" or "patchwork,"
and consequently they would be worthless
for the purpose of comparison, even if
reliable figures were available. We can
only say for what it is worth the state-
ment that progress continues to be made
both in the reduction of the poppy
cultivation and the smoking of opium.

China has had a few international
questions to deal with and she has
dealt with them in characteristic fashion.
The attempt to amicably settle the
Macao boundary dispute resolved itself into
an effort to deprive Portugal of three-
fourths of the territory of which she has
undisturbed enjoyment for three centuries.
After eight conferences the Portuguese
Commissioner, finding agreement on a
reasonable basis impossible, interrupted the
negotiations, and suggested a reference to
the dispute to arbitration. There at the
end of the year the matter rests. Japan
had earlier in the year found the Chinese
Government in a similar mood when she
sought to settle a dispute regarding certain
railway questions in Manchuria. The
obstructive tactics which China pursued
finally drew from Japan an intimation that
she would wait no longer for the agreement,
but proceed with her plans in regard to the
Antung-Mukden railway forthwith. That
brought the Chinese Government to reason,
and agreements were soon reached with
regard to the railway and mining questions
in Manchuria and to the buffer state of
Chientao on the Korean frontier. A
dispute as to the ownership of Pratas
Island was settled by Japan recognis-
ing the sovereignty of China over it, and
the Chinese Government giving to the
Japanese merchant who had been exploiting
the phosphate there compensation for
disturbance. China at the suggestion of
the Hongkong Government has now prom-
ised to erect and maintain on the island
a wireless telegraph station. So far as
international disputes are concerned China
would now have a clear slate, but for the
Macao boundary question.

Among other occurrences in China during
the year we may recall the burial of the late
Emperor KWANG HSU in May and of the
Dowager Empress in November. They died,
it will be remembered, almost on the same
day in November, 1908. We may note, too,
as important and significant events the
dismissal of YUAN SHIH KAI and TUAN
FENG—two of the most enlightened states-
men in the Empire—and in this
connection may be mentioned the shelving
of TONG SHAO YI on his return from a visit
to the leading countries of the world for
the purpose of studying currency questions.
But though the reactionaries may so in-
fluence the Prince Regent as to deprive the
State at a critical time in its history of the
services of three men who stand out as the
most enlightened and most capable states-
men in the Empire the Reformation can
no more be prevented than the rising of the
sun. If the statesmen at the helm are
incapable of intelligently directing the new
movement, so much the worse for China.
One noteworthy sign of the times is that
Chinese of the highest class are now travel-
ling abroad in ever-growing numbers, and the
past year is especially noteworthy on
that account, for conspicuous among the
travellers is the brother of the Prince
Regent, who heads the Commission now in

Europe studying the naval arrangements of
the leading nations.

The most sensational event in the Far
East during the year has been the as-
sassination of Prince Iro at Harbin, where
he had gone to meet the Russian Minister
of Finance for the purpose of coming to an
agreement on matters in Manchuria aiming
at a common policy. The assassin was a
Korean, and the tragedy has raised the
question of the definite annexation
of Korea by Japan, but the agitation appears
to meet with no encouragement from the
Japanese Government. While Prince Iro
was Resident-General of Korea he more than
once emphatically expressed his disapproval
of talk of annexation, and the consensus
of public opinion in Japan seems opposed
to the step.

So far as Hongkong is concerned, there
have been two events which will make the
year 1909 memorable in the annals of the
Colony, namely, the imposition of an import
tax on intoxicating liquors, and the decision
to provide the Colony with a University.
The community viewed the import tax with
dismay as being "the thin end of the
wedge" driven into the traditional freedom
of the port. It was with the utmost re-
luctance that the community saw this Bill
placed upon the statute book, but revenue
was needed (partly on account of an ex-
pected heavy decline in the revenue from
opium), and this appeared to be the least
objectionable way of raising it. Happily, the
visions of a Customs ridden port, conjured
up in the public mind at the time, have not
materialised, and visitors may come and
go without the vexatious examination of
their baggage that was associated with
the imposition of this tax. We under-
stand that the yield of the import
tax has not so far come up to anticipations,
but the collections in the first three months
of the operation of the Ordinance
perhaps scarcely afford a satisfactory in-
dication of what the annual revenue from
this source is likely to be. The revenue of
the Colony has not suffered to the extent
anticipated by the re-letting of the opium
farm under the new conditions, but the
new rental is \$267,000 per annum less
than the old, and the year closes
without a word from the Imperial
Government as to what sum represents in
their view the promised "substantial con-
tribution" towards this loss. That question
will apparently be left for determination by
their successors in office.

The Bishop of Victoria speaks at a New Year
meeting in the Theatre on Sunday evening.

Mrs. W. J. Gresson is to open the new
premises of the Boys' Own Club at East Point
on Monday.

A large launch will leave Kowloon Police
Pier at 8.50 p.m. to-night to convey guests to
the dance on board the Tamar.

The "Watch Night" service to be held at
St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, to-night will
commence at 11 p.m. All friends are cordially
invited.

Some time between the 24th and 27th inst.
there was stolen from the military stores at
the R. G. A. Victoria Barracks, eighty blankets
valued at £15.

We are asked to state that the "M. A.
Fernandez" mentioned in a notification, which
appears in our advertising columns is not Mr.
M. Fernandez, partner in the firm of Fernan-
dez and Co., of Hongkong and Canton.

A young Portuguese named Antonio Vience
Gutterres was at the Magistracy yesterday fined
\$50 and ordered to pay \$25 to a coolie whom
he shot. The defendant fired a salon rifle
from the window of a house in Cairns Road
and the bullet entered a coolie's leg.

An interesting capture was made by the
excise officials on Wednesday on board the
s.s. *Saverio*, when three men, one of whom was
a former ex-convict and policeman, were
arrested for going on board to sell opium to the
crew.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial
and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge
with thanks the following donations to the funds
of the Hospitals:—

Hon. A. W. Brewin \$10
Ho A. Tsat 10

We are informed by Mr. D. W. Craddock,
general traffic agent, that the Yokohama office
of the C. P. R. was yesterday in receipt of
a Marconigram from the R.M.S. *Empress of
China* (which left Vancouver on the 18th
instant) advising that she is due at Yokohama
on the 31st inst. at 2 p.m. When the message
was received the steamer was 1,400 miles
from Japan.

The Bandmann Comedy Company, owing to
the delayed arrival of the E. and O. steamer
Sumatra, will not be able to take their departure
on the day arranged and will consequently give
an extra farewell performance on Saturday
evening, when, by special request, "Facing the
Music" will be replayed. This piece is very
light and entertaining, and these who have not
yet seen the production should not fail to take
advantage of the performances on New Year's
night.

The Portuguese gunboat *Rio Lima* was yester-
day offered for sale by auction by Messrs.
Hughes and Hough at Hung Hom. There was a
good attendance. Bidding started at \$10,000
and went up to \$19,500, at which it was
withdrawn.

A gambling raid was carried out by the
police on Wednesday night at 27, Canton Road.
Teim-ta-tsoi, and twelve men were arrested.
The principal was fined \$100 by Mr. Wood at the
Magistracy yesterday and a number of the
others had to pay a fine of \$4.

The hearing was continued at the Magistracy
yesterday of the charge against Lam Fook
Chiu of having defrauded Mr. John Hastings
of the sum of \$24,000. The prosecution
allege that the defendant acted in collusion
with others. Mr. F. L. Bowley, Crown
Solicitor, prosecuted, and Mr. Shanton, from
the office of Messrs. Deacon, Looker
and Hastings, appeared for the defence. An in-
terpreter in the office of Messrs. Hastings
and Hastings gave evidence of a broker having
come to the office in August last and given an
address as his which witnesses found to be untrue.
The broker returned to the office and asked Mr.
Hastings for an advance of \$20,000 on the
property, and Mr. Hastings subsequently agreed
to advance \$24,000 on certain conditions. Other
evidence was called and the case adjourned.

Eight of the Chinese crew of the steamer
Natuna were tried before Mr. Colman at
Singapore last week, seven of them on
a charge of theft of rice from the cargo and one
on a charge of abetment. Evidence was given
showing that many of the bags comprising the
steamer's cargo has been tampered with, and
that in the process a lamp had been upset in the
hold, endangering the safety of the ship.
Accused explained that the captain neither
gave them money nor make, so they had to
help themselves to rice. This was doubly
necessary because the day was a holiday and
because they had to work, which they could not
do on an empty stomach. Only two of them
went below for the rice. They only took a
small quantity. They were sentenced to six
weeks' rigorous imprisonment each.

An Australian lady and gentleman have
signalled their entry into Japan by unwit-
tingly coming into conflict with the police. A
Moji dispatch reports that Mr. Parker, man-
ager of Messrs. Thomas Robinson & Co., of
Sydney, accompanied by Mrs. Parker, arrived
for the purpose of investigating the flour
mill industry in Japan. A freight clerk
of the steamer, by which they arrived,
laid information with the police that Mr.
and Mrs. Parker had taken photographs in
Shimonoseki Straits. The Prosecutor of the
Kokura Court came to Moji and examined
the case, as a result of which it was found that
the lady and gentleman were innocent of any
criminal intent in taking the photographs, as
they were unaware that they were within the
fortified zone. The five negatives taken by
them have been destroyed and the matter thus
settled out of Court. Mr. and Mrs. Parker left
Moji on the 18th instant. The fact that this
clerk on the steamer thought it well to give
information to the police instead of warning the
travellers is very interesting, remarks the *Japan
Chronicle*.

FIRE AT TSAT SEE MUI.

The little village on the slope overlooking the
road along the sea front near Quarry Bay was
yesterday in some danger of being wiped out
through its dangerous proximity to the fire
which occurred in the basket heap and ash
yard beneath. The sugar baskets which are
bought from the refinery are stacked in this
place prior to being out and sold, and the
owner of the place, a Chinese, also has
adjacent a heap of ash procured from the
refinery. This ash is sold as ballast and
subsequently used as manure. Fire was dis-
covered yesterday to have broken out among
the pile of baskets. The flames were noticed
by the Indian constable on duty, who promptly
gave the alarm. The first on the scene to
combat the conflagration was the Taikeo Fire
Brigade under Mr. Burns. They did good
work with their two engines, but the low tide
prevented them from getting a full pressure of
water, so that when the Hongkong Fire
Brigade arrived under Chief Inspector
Baker there was plenty to do. The flames
reached to a considerable height and made
the road impassable. However, the firemen
got to work shortly before noon, at which
time the conflagration was at its worst,
and with the three Government fire engines
working in addition to the two from Taikeo and
the Government fire boat they soon had the
satisfaction of getting the fire under control,
and by about two o'clock the flames were
extinguished, although the fire continued to
smoulder for hours afterwards. Practically the
whole of the baskets were consumed, but the ash
was saved. At one time considerable alarm was
felt for the safety of Tsat See Mui village, as
the wind was from the south and blowing the
sparks in the direction of this settlement,
which numbers some 75 houses, but the
efforts of the firemen were successful in
giving the needed protection. The tramway
service was dislocated by reason of the hose
laid from the sea over the roadway, and the
flames caused some of the electric wires
to fuse. A dog which approached the looking
stand was thrown over, and the police set a
guard to warn people of their danger from this
source. It is thought that a spark from the
burning refuse in the neighbourhood ignited
the dry baskets.

TELEGRAMS.

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AFRICAN EXPLORATION.

LONDON, December 30th.
Prince Maurice of Schaumburg-
Lippe has started on a three months'
visit to Uganda, accompanied by the
explorer Count Pfohl.

ELECTION PROSPECTS.

LONDON, December 30th.
Fifteen Unionists and two Liberals
are at present unopposed, while the
Liberals have withdrawn from thirty-
seven constituencies which Labourites
are contesting.

BRITISH WATERWAYS.

LONDON, December 30th.
The Royal Commission on Canals
and Inland Navigation in Great
Britain have reported in favour of
the establishment of a Waterway
Board with large powers for extend-
ing and improving the canals so as
to link the Midlands with the
principal ports. It is estimated that
the cost of this work will amount to
£17,500,000, part of which should be
defrayed by the State.

LORD KITCHENER IN
AUSTRALIA.

LONDON, December 30th.
Lord Kitchener on landing at
Townsville was given a civic welcome
and received a great ovation from the
crowds which had assembled.

ROYAL HONEYMOON TOUR.

LONDON, December 30th.
The Prince Regent of Brunswick
and his bride have started on a
honeymoon tour to India, Siam and
the Far East.

NEW PENANG STEAMER LAUNCHED
AT HUNG HOM.

At 9 p.m. on Wednesday evening at the
shipbuilding yard of Messrs. Kwong Tuck
Cheong, the second steamer built to the order
of the Eastern Shipping Co., Penang, was
successfully launched, and as the vessel glided
down into the water she was named *Pangkok*, the
ceremony being gracefully performed by Miss
Minnie Lambert, daughter of Mr. John Lam-
bert, R.N.E., Lloyd's Surveyor. The vessel is
a duplicate of the *Kedah* recently launched
from the same yard. A number of visitors
were present, and success to the vessel and the
health of the builder was enthusiastically drunk
among good wishes all round.

CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. v. UNITED SERVICES.
The following will represent the Hongkong
Cricket Club against the United Services on
Saturday and Monday the 1st and 3rd January:
W. C. D. Turner, T. E. Pearce, R. E. O. Bird,
R. E. H. Oliver, E. O. Hutchinson, A. C. E.
Elborough, H. D. Sharpin, A. H. Young, A. A.
Claxton, J. Hall, W. Manning. Play to start
at 10 a.m. each day.

"A PAIR OF SPECTACLES."

The Bandmann No. 1 Comedy Company
scored another success last night when they
staged the "A Pair of Spectacles" at the
Theatre Royal, before a large and appreciative
audience.

This old favourite, with its striking contrast
between two types of character, was admirably
portrayed. Mr. Henry Dallas took the part of
Mr. Goldfinch, the benevolent old gentleman
who refused to believe ill of any one, and saw
good in everything, and was particularly effec-
tive in the emotional scenes. The gruff Uncle
Gregory, who sacrificed all the finer senti-
ments for money making, was ably represented
by Mr. Charles Vane. Miss Dundas undertook
the part of the young wife with success, and
Miss Russell made a charming Lucy Loximer.
On Saturday night "Facing the Music" will
be replayed, by request.

COMPANY MEETING.

THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER
CO., LTD.

An extraordinary general meeting of share-
holders in this Company was held at the offices
of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Co. yesterday
afternoon. Mr. R. Shewan presided, and there
were also present: Messrs. H. P. White (member
of Consulting Committee), D. H. Young
(secretary), P. M. Hodgson, A. Babington,
N. G. Gordon, E. W. Terry, A. G. Gordon,
H. F. Campbell, J. A. Young, A. A. Cordeiro
and R. Unsworth.

The Secretary read the notice convening
the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen,—The ob-
ject of the resolution before the meeting is
solely for the purpose of enabling the Company
to return capital and pay undivided profits to
shareholders to the extent of \$500,000 alto-
gether. By returning \$5 per share to the holders
of the 50,000 \$10 shares we shall reduce that
capital to 50,000 shares of \$5 each, and we shall
make an equivalent payment in the shape of a
bonus of \$5 per share to the holders of the
50,000 special \$1 shares. The paid-up
capital will then be \$300,000 in 50,000
shares of \$5 each and 50,000 shares of \$1
each. The present resolution, which cannot be
confirmed until an interval of fourteen days
from to-day has elapsed, will give us power to
modify the right of any class of shares by a
special resolution passed in conformity with an
agreement made with a trustee acting on behalf
of the holders of the class of shares in ques-
tion, provided such agreement is ratified by an
extraordinary resolution. On the confirma-
tion of the present resolution fifteen days
hence the Company will enter into the
agreements referred to and we shall call
meetings of each class of shareholders to
pass the extraordinary resolution to ratify
these agreements. When that is done we shall
on the same day (as an extraordinary resolu-
tion does not require to be confirmed) propose
the special resolution to return and pay the
\$500,000, which resolution will have to be con-
firmed after another interval of fourteen days.
We shall then be in a position to apply to the
Court for permission to make the return of
capital and pay the bonus. Gentlemen, I now
propose the first resolution, "That the Articles
of Association of the Company be altered

1. By inserting therein immediately after
paragraph 4 of Clause VIII. a new paragraph
as follows:—

5. Whenever the Capital of the Company is
divided into several Classes of Shares all or
any of the rights and privileges attached to
any Class may be modified altered sub-
divided re-arranged or dealt with by Special
Resolution of the Company passed pursuant
to an Agreement in writing made between
the Company and some member of the
Class purporting to contract on behalf
of the members of the Class provided
such agreement shall before the Special
Resolution is passed be ratified by
Extraordinary Resolution passed at a
separate Meeting of the Class or by writ-
ing under the hand of the holders of at
least two-thirds of the Shares of the Class
and it shall be no objection to any such
Agreement that it provides for a reduction
of Capital otherwise than in accordance
with the legal rights of the holders of shares
of the Class or for the payment of divid-
end or bonus otherwise than in ac-
cordance with the rights of the
holders of the shares of the Class or
for the allotment of shares credited as
fully or partly paid up in satisfaction
or part satisfaction of such dividend or
bonus and for the purposes of this Clause
a Resolution shall be an Extraordinary
Resolution when it has been passed by a
majority of not less than two-thirds of
such members of the Class entitled to vote
as are present in person or by proxy at a
separate General Meeting of the Class of
which Notice specifying the intention to
propose the Resolution as an Extraordinary
Resolution has been duly given and so that
the quorum of any such Meeting shall be
three members at least of the Class and so
that the Meeting shall be held in ac-
cordance with the provisions hereof.

Mr. WHITE seconded, and the motion was
agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN then proposed the second
resolution, "That the Articles of Association of
this Company be altered

2. By inserting immediately after paragraph
7 of Clause XVI. a new paragraph as follows:—

8. Any General Meeting declaring a Dividend
may direct payment of such Dividend
wholly or in part by the distribution of
specific assets and in particular of shares
Debentures or Debenture stock of the
Company or of any other Company or
in any one or more of such ways and the
General Managers shall give effect to such
direction and where any difficulty arises in
regard to the distribution they may settle
the same as they think expedient and in
particular may issue fractional Certificates
and may fix the value for distribution
of such specific assets or any part thereof
and may determine that such payments
shall be made to any members upon the
footing of the value so fixed in order to
adjust the rights of all parties and may
vest any such specific assets in Trustees
upon such trusts for the persons entitled
to the Dividend as may seem expedient to
the General Managers. Where requisite
a proper contract shall be filed in accordance
with Section 7 of the Companies Act 1900,
and the General Managers may appoint
any person to sign such contract on behalf
of the persons entitled to the Dividend and
such appointment shall be effective.

Should the above Resolution be passed by the
required majority it will be submitted for con-
firmation to a further Extraordinary General
Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Mr. TERRY seconded, and the motion was
carried.

The CHAIRMAN—That is all the business,
gentlemen. These resolutions, of course, will
have to be confirmed at another meeting four-
teen days hence.

LOCAL AND DISTRICT
EVENTS, 1909.

JANUARY.

- 1-Hongkong, Canton and Macao Co.'s steamer *Fatshan* boycotted at Canton. During armed robbery at 236, Queen's Road Central—Yuan Shih Kai, Grand Secretary of the President of the Board of Foreign Affairs, dismissed by Imperial edict on ground that he was unable, through illness, to take charge of affairs. The statesman was not given an opportunity to resign.
- 2-Appointment of Mr. A. J. Brackenbury, formerly H.E. Sir Frederick Lugard's private secretary, as Assistant Resident of Nyassaland. "The *Geisha*" at the Club Lusitano.
- 6-Waiwapa negotiated a loan of £2,000,000 with a British syndicate for the Liang-Hu section of the Canton-Hankow Railway.
- 9-Kowloon Dock A. D. C. produce "The Silver King."
- 10-Mr. F. M. Cruz won the go-as-you-please race promoted by the Lusitano Recreation Club. The distance was from ten to twelve miles, and the time 68 min. 55 sec.
- 11-H. E. the Governor issued an appeal for an endowment fund of £1,250,000 for the proposed Hongkong University. His Highness Yuvaraj of the Mysore and his suite arrived at Hongkong. Twenty stowaways to Australia by the *S.S. Eastern* convicted at the Magistrate's, and sentenced to nine months' imprisonment. Mr. E. H. Hinds defeated Sergeant Pitt in a billiard championship match of 1,000 up by 369; the total score being: Hinds, 1,000; Pitt, 651.
- 12-French mail steamer *Polynesia* cut the Dutch steamer *Diamant* twice at Singapore, eight collisions on the latter steamer being drowned.
- 13-Hari Promyslav gave a violin recital in the City Hall.
- 14-Volunteers' annual dance in the City Hall.
- 20-Sanitary Board election. Four candidates went to the poll; Mr. Shelton Hooper and Dr. Fitzwilliams were elected.
- 21-Lance-Sergeant Mills of the Police shot in an armed robbery at Yau-mai.
- 22-Death of Mr. A. P. Marty, one of Hongkong's oldest residents. Retirement of Mr. J. J. B. Ball, Supreme Court interpreter, announced. Chinese New Year celebrations.
- 23-Mrs. R. I. Bellis opened the pavilion of the Craigflower Cricket Club.
- 27-Resignation of Mr. Justice Wise announced.
- 28-Rajput Regiment celebrates Alival Day by holding sports at Kowloon.
- 30-High fire among flower-beds near Canton. In which about 300 flowers were reported to have been lost. Celebration of the silver jubilee of the Anglo-Portuguese School, Hongkong.

FEBRUARY.

- 1-First meeting of the International Commission on Opium at Shanghai.
- 2-Annual general meeting Hongkong branch of the China Association. Opening of Musilla Carnival.
- 8-Thirteen native gismen in the Chinese Customs were presented with trophies at Taichan, Kowloon, for life-saving and bravery displayed during the typhoon of July 27th, 1908.
- 12-Cathedral Choir concert.
- 13-The retirement of Dr. Bateson Wright, headmaster of Queen's College, announced. Devotional dinner at Hongkong Hotel.
- 16-Hongkong Jockey Club Races commenced.
- 26-Official visit of Senator Roccas, Governor of Macao, to Hongkong. Opening of Hongkong Horticultural Society's annual show. Annual dinner of Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders.

MARCH.

- 1-Twenty-six opium divans closed in Hongkong as an earnest of the intention to comply with Imperial Government's instructions to close the whole.
- 2-Indo-China steamer *Katany* struck a submerged rock in the Haitan Straits, and was beached.
- 6-Opening day of Canton Regatta.
- 9-Mr. J. H. de Buns appointed Netherlands Consul at Hongkong. Marriage of Miss Connel at Hongkong. Marriage of Miss Connel at Hongkong. Marriage of Miss Connel at Hongkong.
- 11-The opium question discussed at the Legislative Council.
- 12-Philippine squadron arrive at Hongkong. Malacca Regiment held sports in commemoration of Sookan Day.
- 13-H.M.S. *Redoubt* at Hongkong Football Challenge Cup.
- 15-Buff Band concert at Theatre Royal.
- 17-Promotion of Mr. H. J. Gompertz to the position of "Pulse Judge." Officers of the Philippine Squadron banquipped at the Club.
- 18-Hongkong officers win Soldiers' Club Army Football Challenge Cup.
- 20-Royal Football Challenge Shield. Hongkong Navy at Leichikok.
- 22-Lieut. Court held farewell to Mr. Justice and extended congratulations to Mr. J. Gompertz.
- 23-Lord and Lady Menth and Lady Violet Alston visit Hongkong. Lady Menth addressed the children of the Colony in connection with the Ministering Children's League. Japan called upon China to furnish proof of ownership of the Pratas Islands.
- 24-American Squadron entertained at Happy Valley.
- 27-Departure of the Philippine Squadron. Annual inspection of Hongkong Volunteers.
- 28-Bishop Brent of the Philippines preached at St. John's Cathedral. Final race of Corinthian Yacht Club. Chinese thieves look a cable station near the Kowloon Docks.
- 31-Buffs Regimental Sports on Kowloon Cricket Ground.

APRIL.

- 1-Royal Entertainers at City Hall.
- 5-Princess Kuni of Japan arrives in Hongkong.
- 7-Royal Artillery annual sports at Kowloon. H. E. Viceroy Chang laid the foundation stone of the general offices and station building of the Chinese section of Kowloon-Canton Railway at Canton.
- 9-Hongkong sportsmen leave to try conclusions with Swatow at cricket, football and tennis.
- 10-Departure of Her Excellency Lady Lugard for England. Twelfth annual "B" team won the Shield in the Cricket League competition. Swatow defeated Hongkong in the interport football match by five goals to three.
- 12-Annual sports of Lusitano Recreation Club. Sudden death of Mr. O. D. Thomson, solicitor. H. E. Admiral Sir Harry Rawson, Governor of New South Wales, and suite visit Hongkong en route for England.
- 14-Farewell dinner to Dr. A. P. Wilder, American Consul-General, at the Chinese Club.
- 15-H. E. the Governor opens Civil Service Cricket Club pavilion.

- 18-Closing cruise of Corinthian Yacht Club.
- 19-Presentations to Mr. J. Gray Scott, ex-manager of the Electric Tramway Co.
- 21-Death of Mr. G. Murray Ball. Farewell dinner to Mr. J. Gray Scott at Hongkong Hotel. Hongkong Schools annual athletic sports.
- 22-Opening of new commercial port of Heung-chow, near Macao.
- 23-Tennis League formed in Hongkong.
- 24-Annual dinner of the Hongkong Volunteer. First meeting Hongkong Gymkhana Club.
- 25-Hamburg-America Line's steamer *Scandia* grounded on Lintin Island during a fog. Farewell presentation to Rev. J. H. Franco at Kowloon Seamen's Institute.
- 27-The Buffs, winners of the Hongkong Daily Press Cup in the Football League, were presented with the trophy.
- 28-Governor lays foundation stone of Hongkong Seamen's Institute.

MAY.

- 1-The late Emperor Kwang Hsu buried.
- 5-Successful garden fête in aid of Soldiers' and Sailors' Home and Seamen's Institute.
- 12-Hongkong Cricket Club defeated Ladies' Recreation Club in annual tennis match by 64 to 44.
- 13-Beacon Hill railway tunnel pierced.
- 22-A number of European Customs officials were presented with trophies for bravery in the typhoon of July, 1908.
- 24-Empire Day celebrations in Hongkong. H. E. the Governor informed the Press that Messrs. Butterfield and Swire had promised £40,000 to the endowment fund for the University, subject to the whole fund being subscribed. First annual sports meeting of Boys' Own Club.
- 25-Death of Mr. R. D. Watt, superintendent engineer of the dock at Quarry Bay. A Hongkong military team tried conclusions with Shanghai in an interport cricket match and lost by 37 runs.
- 26-In the interport tennis matches between local players and Shanghai representatives, played at the northern port, Captain Hensley and Lieut. Byrne beat Messrs. Wheelock and Fearon, 4/6, 6/2, 6/3; and Messrs. Sadliers and Middleton, 6/0, 6/2, while Captain Brierley and Lieut. Whyte beat Messrs. Saunders and Middleton 6/3, 6/1; Messrs. Saunders and Middleton 6/3, 6/1; Messrs. Wheelock and Fearon 7/6, 6/4; Tactai Lau and Koo was brutally murdered at Canton.
- 30-Twenty-first anniversary of Peak Tramway Co., Hongkong.
- 31-Five men asphyxiated on the U.S. naval sculler *Nashua* on her way to Hongkong. Annual sports of Civil Service Cricket Club.

JUNE.

- 4-Severe earthquake shocks felt at Singapore. A section of the Sunning Railway opened.
- 5-Hongkong Garrison cricket eleven were defeated by Yokohama.
- 9-Death of Dr. W. Hunter, Government Bacteriologist at Hongkong.
- 12-Death of Mr. R. Bram, Deputy Commissioner of Customs, at Canton.
- 15-H. E. Tang Shao Yi visits Hongkong on his return from a tour in America and Europe.
- 31-Third meeting of Hongkong Gymkhana Club. Promenade Concert at Kowloon Cricket Club.

JULY.

- 4-Local Americans celebrate the Glorious Fourth.
- 5-Mr. C. F. Dixon, solicitor, found guilty of unprofessional conduct, and struck off the roll for three years.
- 6-Confederation of Shanghai forty buildings destroyed by fire.
- 10-£200,000 was subscribed for the Hongkong University scheme, and His Excellency Chang Pat Chi promised to raise \$100,000 from the merchants of Waichow, Chinchow and Ka Hing. "His amount brought the promised subscriptions from various sources to over \$300,000."
- 10-V.L.C. diamond jubilee celebrations. Seven pirates arrested by Inspector Robertson at West Point.
- 13-Parcel post treaty concluded between Japan and the Straits Settlements.
- 21-Building collapses at 142, Queen's Road Central, but occupants escape uninjured. Presentation to Captain and Mrs. F. A. Brown at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home by members of the Wanchai Wesleyan Church. Waiwapa subscribers Tails 10,000 towards endowment fund of proposed Hongkong University.
- 25-Death of Mr. H. W. Hine of Canton at the Peak Hospital.
- 30-Y. R. C. defeat Corinthians in Water Polo Shield competition, and after a few easy matches win the Shield. H. E. (hang) Jea Chan on transfer from Canton to Nanking arrived in Hongkong and was entertained by H. E. the Governor.

AUGUST.

- 5-Self-Government Society of Canton decide to boycott the Portuguese. Owing to action taken by the Imperial and Provincial authorities this was prevented. The boycott against Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, in connection with the *Fatshan* incident, with drawn on that firm offering to pay \$3,200 compensation to the family of the man alleged to have been killed on their vessel, and to replace the captain of the *Fatshan*.
- 13-Liquor Licences Ordinance introduced at the Legislative Council.
- 14-Mrs. Forsyth presented Shield to the Kowloon Cricket Club, winners of the Luvu Tennis League competition. Earthquakes in the Gifu and Shiga prefectures, Japan. Capt. C. V. Lloyd of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd. left for home.
- 20-Two Indian police murdered near Antau in the new Territory.
- 23-Dutch squadron visited Hongkong. Dr. G. M. Horston presented with a Chinese embroidered scroll by members of the Tung Wah Hospital committee in recognition of his services to that institution.
- 30-The Chapman evangelists visit Hongkong.

SEPTEMBER.

- 1-Viceroy Yuan Shu-hsun visited Hongkong on his way to Canton and was entertained by His Excellency the Governor.
- 3-The Executive Council received a telegram from the Secretary of State for the Colonies approving of the establishment of a University at Hongkong, and that £300 annually would be voted for scholarships.
- 4-Gymkhana Club's fourth meeting.
- 6-Arrest at Wooning of Mr. J. W. Wright, accountant of the Chinese section of the Kowloon-Canton railway, on a charge of misappropriating railway funds.
- 8-Prince Tsai Han and Admiral Sah visit Hongkong while on a tour of inspection of China's naval defences.
- 10-Liquor Ordinance providing for import duties on intoxicating liquors introduced at Legislative Council.

- 11-Corinthian Yacht Club celebrates its first water carnival.
- 15-Destructive typhoon at Foochow.
- 17-Liquor Ordinance passed its third reading at the Legislative Council. Liquor duties came into force.
- 18-Mr. C. J. Cooke won the swimming race across Hongkong harbour, his time being 29 min. 26-2/5 sec.
- 22-Interport Swimming Carnival opened at R.C.M. Mr. S. E. Green won Kowloon Cricket Club Tennis Championship.
- 25-Hongkong defeat Shanghai in Interport Swimming Carnival, and retain the visitors' flag. Senator Roccas, Governor of Macao, leaves on transfer to Angola.
- 26-Rev. H. O. Spink inducted as incumbent of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.
- 27-Lord Kitchener arrives in Hongkong.

OCTOBER.

- 2-Humphreys won V.R.C. 100 yards swimming championship.
- 5-Tariff revision law of the Philippine Islands became effective at all ports.
- 7-Governor's Budget address at the Legislative Council.
- 14-H. E. the Governor received an intimation that His Majesty the King, as a mark of his personal interest in the proposed Hongkong University, had been graciously pleased to direct that the holders of scholarships provided by the British Government should be styled "King Edward VII. scholars."
- 16-W. Butler Wright, chief accountant of the Chinese section of the Canton-Kowloon Railway, sentenced to two years' imprisonment for misappropriating railway monies. Hongkong Gymkhana Clubs fifth meeting.
- 19-Typhoon at Hongkong, little damage.
- 27-Prince Ito assassinated at Harbin.
- 29-Singapore made a total score of 955 in the interport shoot, the highest in the history of the competition.
- 30-Ministering Children's League annual bazaar.

NOVEMBER.

- 3-Japanese Emperor's birthday celebrations.
- 4-Hongkong shot in the interport Rifle Shooting contest, score, 375.
- 6-Tragic death of Mr. H. G. Calthrop, barrister-at-law, at the Peak.
- 7-Annual of *freco* fête of the Society St. Vincent de Paul.
- 9-Funeral of the late Empress Dowager of China. King's Birthday celebrations postponed on account of the Imperial mourning in China. Birthday honours include a K.C.M.G. for the Hon. Mr. F. H. May, Colonial Secretary.
- 10-H. E. the Governor presents prizes at the annual competition of the Fire Brigade.
- 11-Important discussion in Legislative Council on Hongkong's subsidiary coinage question.
- 13-Volunteers go into Camp at Customs Pass. The Conference of Macao Boundary Delimitation Commissioners interrupted owing to a failure after eight sittings to arrive at a satisfactory basis of settlement.
- 15-Cameron Highlanders' concert at Volunteer Headquarters.
- 22-Interport cricket tourney opens at Hongkong.
- 23-Hongkong defeat Shanghai by an innings and 224 runs.
- 25-King's Birthday celebrations and unveiling of statues of H. R. H. Queen Alexandra and H. R. H. the Princesses of Wales, in Statue Square. Hongkong cricketers defeat the Straits team by nine wickets. Messrs. Cox and Biron (Straits) defeated Captain Beasley and Lieut. White (Hongkong) in interport tennis match, 6/3, 6/1, 10/8.
- 26-A Marine Court acquitted the certificated officers of the *s.s. Tak Hong* in connection with the stranding of that vessel at Kowloon during a typhoon. Viceroy Tuan Pang of Chihli dismissed by Imperial decree for having been in charge of the *Dowager of the present Empress Dowager*, who was passing across the route of the funeral in a chair.
- 27-Jubilee of the German Club. Straits cricketers defeated Shanghai by four wickets. Mr. C. A. Carr (Hongkong) defeated Mr. H. S. Tounssant (Shanghai) in the interport tennis match by 18 games to 8. Mr. A. D. Cox (Singapore) defeated Mr. Tounssant by 23 games to 19. In the doubles Messrs. A. D. Cox and W. Biron (Straits) won from Mr. H. S. Tounssant and Captain Barrett (Shanghai) by 6/2, 6/3, 6/0. H. E. the Governor, the Macao Boundary Commission, at a farewell dinner at Government House. Field Marshal Lord Kitchener returned from a tour in North China and Japan and left the Colony for Australia by the P. and O. Mail *Assaye*.
- 29-Mr. C. A. Carr and Captain Beasley (Hongkong) defeated Mr. H. S. Tounssant and Captain Barrett (Shanghai) by three sets to two in the interport tennis match. The Straits team defeated combined interport cricketers, won Hongkong by 21 runs. Mr. A. D. Cox (Straits) defeated Mr. C. A. Carr (Hongkong) in interport tennis match, 6/0, 6/1, 6/4. The Archdeacon Bannister consecrated as Bishop of the newly-formed See of Hunan in Central China.

DECEMBER.

- 2-Bishop Landier preached at a special service for seafarers at St. John's Cathedral.
- 4-Y.M.C.A. members welcome Mr. G. E. Lorrigo, new Association Secretary for Hongkong.
- 7-Congregation of Union Church present an illuminated address to Dr. J. C. Thomson on his leaving the Colony.
- 9-French Convent annual bazaar.
- 10-Hongkong College of Medicine presented Dr. J. C. Thomson with a silver tea tray on his retirement.
- 11-Annual regatta of the V.R.C. at Bay View.
- 14-Serious fire on the German mail steamer *Prins Ludwig*. H. E. the Governor inspects police forces. German sailor fatally shot in Macao, and another wounded. Two Portuguese being arrested and charged with the murder.
- 15-A Chinese hanged at Victoria goal for complicity in the murder of two Indian police in the new Territory.
- 17-Death of Sir William Des Voeux, Governor of Hongkong from 1887 to 1891. German Far Eastern squadron donate \$220 to Sailors' and Soldiers' Home. His Excellency announced in the Legislative Council that the Chinese Government agreed to the erection of a wireless station on the Pratas atoll.
- 19-Order of the Double Dragon of the second division conferred on Mr. A. H. Harris, Commissioner of Customs for Kowloon and district.
- 20-H. E. the Governor addressed the Church Missionary Society at Bishop and Mrs. Landier's at home. H. E. the Governor opened a new wing of St. Stephen's College and announced that the University Committee had decided to commence building operations. Mr. May having donated his original gift by accepting professors' residences, involving an expenditure of \$280,000, and the donations received or promised towards the endowment fund having reached \$1,183,640.
- 22-Governor presented prizes at St. Joseph's College.

- 23-New plague wards of the Tung Wah Hospital opened by H. E. the Governor. Tung Wah Hospital committee presented Dr. J. C. Thomson with an illuminated address and a silver tea tray on the eve of his departure from the Colony. Seven hundred American tourists visit Hongkong. Entertainment at the Theatre Royal by the "Jolly Tar" Minstrels of the U.S.S. *Virginia*.
- 24-Annual hall of the Hongkong police at the City Hall. Mr. T. F. Hough appointed district grand master of the Masonic Lodges of Hongkong and South China, in succession to Sir Paul Chater, resigned.

SIR JOHN FRENCH.

General Sir John French, Inspector-General of the Forces, who is on a mission of inspection of the British military forces in the Far East, was expected to arrive in Singapore from the F.M.S. on Monday and will reach Hongkong some time later.

General Sir John Denton Pinkstone French, K.C.M.G., K.C.B., G.C.V.O., D.C.L. Hon. Oxon, LL.D. Camb., was born in 1852, at Ripple, Kent. He joined H. M. S. *Britannia* in 1866 and served as a naval cadet and midshipman in the Royal Navy four years, but entered the Army in 1874, joining the 8th Hussars and was transferred to the 19th Hussars, in which regiment he served in the Sudan campaign from 1884 to 1885, and took part in the actions of Abukir, Gubat, Metemeh, &c. He commanded the 19th Hussars from 1889 to 1893, and from 1893 to 1894 was employed as Assistant Adjutant-General of Cavalry on the staff. In 1895 he was appointed A.A.G. at headquarters and served until 1907, when he was appointed Brigadier to command the Cavalry Brigade. In 1899 he was transferred to temporary Major-General to the first Cavalry Brigade at Aldershot, and in the same year was appointed Major-General to command the Cavalry Division on Natal. He then commanded the troops at the battle of Elandsfontein and commanded the cavalry in Sir G. White's Forces in the battle of Beitfontein and Lombard's Kop.

From 1900 to 1902 he was Lieut.-General and commanded the Cavalry Division in South Africa during which time he was mentioned in despatches and promoted Major-General. He commanded the troops in the operations round Colesburg from November 10, 1899, to January 31, 1900, including several important engagements, and commanded the cavalry force in the operations, culminating in the relief of Kimberley in February, 1900. The day after he reached Ladysmith he successfully engaged the Boers at Elandsfontein. During 1901 he rendered splendid service in the operations against the Boers and later on was given charge of the forces in Cape Colony. He commanded the Cavalry Division, Lord Roberts' forces throughout the operations ending in the capture of Bloemfontein and Pretoria. On June 10 and 12, 1900, he commanded the left wing of Lord Roberts' forces in the battles east of Pretoria and was mentioned in despatches eight times. He then commanded the forces in the operations culminating in the capture of the Eastern Transvaal and also took part in the operations in the Spring of 1901. He also conducted the operations against the rebels up to the end of the war. He was commanding 1st Army Corps from 1901-7 and was created K.C.B. in 1900, K.C.M.G. in 1902, and G.C.V.O. in 1905. He has been General Officer commanding-in-Chief 1st class, and Lt. Col. 19th Hussars since 1902. He was made General in 1907. In August of that year he succeeded the Duke of Connaught as Inspector-General of the Forces. He received the Grand Cross of the Order of the Red Eagle of Prussia in 1902, the insignia of Grand Officer of the Legion of Honour in 1903 and the Cross of the Iron

CAPTAIN COOK'S MONUMENT IN HAWAII.

Great Britain does not own the site of Capt. Cook's monument, in spite of deeds to the contrary, according to the statements of John Cook of Honolulu, a man who has lived more years in the Hawaiian Islands than any other white man now alive. He is no relation to the man who discovered the group and whose blood poured out on the rocky shore of Kealahou Bay, although he has the same name and comes from the same country.

Mr. Cook, according to the *Hawaiian Gazette*, says that the land on which the monument site is a part belongs to the heirs of A. A. Todd and that the deed is now held in trust for them by Mr. Rodney, of Honolulu. The land in question was purchased from the Princess Likilihi by Cook, who paid over the money and gave instructions for the deed to be made out to Mrs. A. A. Todd, the mother of his daughter-in-law, although through error this property was deeded to Mr. A. A. Todd and passed after his death to his heirs, the present owners.

"All this talk about the government of the United States signing about land I bought and paid for makes me tired," said Mr. Cook. "Here is the receipt I got for my money, a receipt made out two years before the deed by which it is said that Likilihi transferred the land to the British government."

The receipt, followed by the signature, says:—

"Honolulu, 1st Mar., 1795.

"Received from Mr. Cook the sum of Two Hundred and Twenty-Five Dollars on account of purchase of land in Kona.

"M. L. CLEGGHORN.

"Per A. S. CLEGGHORN."

On the bottom of the receipt is written:—

"Between 700 and 800 acres. John Cook."

"This was before the monument was built," said Mr. Cook. "There was a temporary monument there, however, although neither the first monument nor the present one mark the exact spot where Captain Cook was killed. I knew the exact spot. I had it pointed out to me by my first wife's grandmother who was a woman of the time and who was there and saw the blow that ended Captain Cook's life and saw him in his dying agonies."

CHURCH SERVICE.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.—2nd Sunday after Christmas, 2nd January, 1910. Morning Service at 11 a.m. Holy Communion at noon. Sunday School at 2.30 p.m. in British School. Evening Service at 6 p.m. Service on Sundays.—Holy Communion on 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month at 8 a.m. and 4th Sunday at 8 a.m. Morning Prayer at 11 a.m. Evening Prayer at 6 p.m. Children's Service on 2nd Sundays of every alternate month at 3 p.m.

How to be beautiful.—Keep your complexion, Mrs. Ellen's Creme Charming, Lait Charming and Special Skin Tonic and Poudre Charming will enable you to do it. H. S. Specialties for the Skin are the only of a lifetime. A. S. Watson & Co. Ltd. Sole Agents 1453.

BRITAIN'S NEW NORTHERN

NAVAL BASE.

SCAPA FLOW AND ITS ASSOCIATIONS.

Not by any means for the first time in history do the Orkneys now find themselves looked upon with importance as a strategic base for warfare. Ill-fated King Hakon lay with his fleet first at Lelwick, in Shetland, and then in St. Margaret's Hope, opening into Scapa Flow in 1263, gathering together those forces which "went out to cheer and came back shorn." Magnus, the Orkadian Yarl, joined King Hakon at St. Margaret's Hope, and from Scapa Flow there sailed the fleet of over 100 sail, the remnants of which were to return to the Orkneys two months later and again met anchor in Scapa Flow. Poor King Hakon died broken-hearted, at Kirkwall, a December that same year, and his bones found a temporary resting place in the old cathedral. Again, after a lapse of nearly four centuries, Scapa Flow became a centre of warlike activity. In September, 1649, Kinnoul—that "most passionate servante of Montrose"—landed at Kirkwall and began to prepare for the descent upon Scotland. In the following spring Montrose himself arrived, and early in April was aboard ship at Flotta, at the south-west of the Flow. "For the space of seven months," records the Gentleman of Orkney in a memorial to the King some time afterwards, "they did quarter and maintain His Majesty's whole forces," and they did outstrip 2,000 effective well-armed men, with their levy and transport money, but all in vain, for at Corbiedale, near Invercarrown, "all was lost," and this second invading force from an Orkadian base went forth to disaster.

And now these islands, so long a thorn in Scotland's side, after the days of the old Norse Yarle and after the Emigration, and Scapa Flow itself, are to gain the quietness of their old debt by giving shelter to a fleet intended to guard, not Scotland only, but the British Empire.

Scapa Flow is a large sheltered bay, completely landlocked save for several narrow and winding straits, and about ten miles long by six in width. The northern boundary is the island of Pomona, by Orkadians fondly called Mainland. To the west lies the island of Hoy, most remarkable of these at one time almost "mythic Orkneys," and where in the Meadow of the Ward Hill, still the far-famed "Dwarfie Stane," now broken in twain, and from whose Ward Hill was seen of old that gleaming red light which caused so much awe and superstition in former times. On the south the Flow is enclosed by Flotta and South Ronaldsay, while the force of the seas raised by easterly winds is effectively broken by the island of Burray and the south-eastern peninsula of Pomona, and the commanding, yet safe from, the stormy Pentland Firth itself, and ready to dash into the firth, the German Ocean, or the broad Atlantic, a fleet of any size may lie safe and sound. Nor, while thus in its haven of rest to keep watch and ward itself, can such a fleet be "bottled up" in turn; for, westwards by the beautiful Sound of Hoy, eastwards by the Sound of Holm, and southward by Horta Sound, warships of the deepest draught may safely pass. Numerous light-houses star the confines of the Flow by night, and in sunshine or in darkness no hostile ship can safely enter. Submarines indeed might creep in if prepared to venture against the racing tides of the Flow, but it is for a small vessel to navigate the narrow winding channels, with their swift-moving waters and rocky shores, even when the sea is calm. A vessel which has entered the Flow by night, and in sunshine or in darkness no hostile ship can safely enter. Submarines indeed might creep in if prepared to venture against the racing tides of the Flow, but it is for a small vessel to navigate the narrow winding channels, with their swift-moving waters and rocky shores, even when the sea is calm. 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HOP HING CHEUNG.

Hongkong, 31st December, 1909. [1579]

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MONDAY, 3rd.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1909. [1552]

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION
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NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

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SATURDAY, the 1st January.
MONDAY, the 3rd.
By Order,
A. R. LOWE,
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Hongkong, 21st December, 1909. [1554]

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TO LET

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GODOWNS Nos. 7, 8 and 10, and the Top Floor of No. 3, (Tang Lap Ting's Godowns East Point).
Immediate Possession. Rent exceptionally moderate.
Apply to—
KAM FOOK,
No. 107, Wellington Street,
behind the Stag Hotel or Keeper of
No. 6, Godown on the Spot.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1909. [177]

TO LET.

IN No. 6, DES VUEX ROAD CENTRAL, ONE GODOWN.
In No. 5, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Victoria Building, Rooms suitable for Offices.
ROOMS in College Chambers No. 31 Wyndham Street.
DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1909. [1054]

TO LET.

KING'S BUILDINGS.
OFFICES facing the Harbour from about October at present in occupation of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1909. [318]

TO LET—FURNISHED.

"TANTALLON," 126A, BARKER ROAD.
Rent \$225 per Month. Seen by appointment only.
Apply to—
GODDARD & DOUGLAS,
Hongkong, 9th December, 1909. [1497]

TO LET.

NOS. 20 and 21, PRAYA, KENNEDY TOWN, Two Extensive Two-Storeyed Semi-Detached Godowns; Ground Surface of Cement Concrete.
No. 1A, PRAYA, KENNEDY TOWN, One Extensive Two-Storeyed Godown.
All are in First-Class Condition, suitable for storing Rice, Flour, etc.
Rents moderate.
Apply to—
DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 8th November, 1909. [1395]

TO LET.

No. 2, ELLIOTT CRESCENT, ROBINSON ROAD, Six Roomed House, with Outhouse, Commanding a Fine View of the Harbour.
Apply to—
F. X. D'ALMADA e CASTRO,
33, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 7th July, 1909. [935]

TO LET.

No. 2, BEACONSFIELD ARCADE, facing the Parade Ground.
PREMISES lately vacated by Messrs. Gordon & Co., known as 21, Whitefield, Shekwan Road.
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CHELTONAL (furnished), No. 100, Peak, February to October, 1910.
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Apply to—
LINDSEY & DAVIS,
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings.
Hongkong, 15th December, 1909. [1100]

TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 4, Praya, Kennedy Town.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1909. [1340]

TO BE LET.

WITH Possession from March, 1910. (Unfurnished or if desired the furniture could be taken over at a valuation.)
"IAN MOH," Peak Road. Six Roomed semi-detached house, commanding a good view of the harbour. Tennis Court and Vegetable Garden.
NEW and COMMODIOUS SHOPS, Nathan Road, Kowloon. Immediate Possession. Clear Road.
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Apply to—
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Hongkong, 1st December, 1909. [1253-147]

TO LET.

NOS. 52 and 69, CAINE ROAD.
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HO U MING,
81, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1909. [1177]

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A HOUSE in Wong No. Cheng Road.
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THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1909. [97]

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No. 3, MORRISON HILL. Immediate entry.
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Hongkong, 10th December, 1909. [1500]

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J. R. M. SMITH,
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Hongkong, 13th November, 1909. [20]

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Hongkong, 6th April, 1909. [121]

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NOTICE

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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON
Hongkong, 18th August, 1909. [1083]

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.
WITH WHICH IS INCORPORATED THE **OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE CO.**
TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1908 £19,121,310.

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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
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Hongkong, 14th August, 1909. [908]

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"SIAM."

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 31st inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 31st inst. at 9.30 A.M.

All claims must reach us before the 4th Jan., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1909. [6]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"KUMSANG."

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M. on the 31st inst. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.**

General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1909. [16]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"E. FRANZ FERDINAND."

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that Goods will be landed into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 2nd Jan., 1910, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 2nd Jan., 1910, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **SANDER, WIELER & Co.,**

Agents.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1909. [3]

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "SUVERIC."

FROM SEATTLE, TACOMA, VAN COUVE, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE above Steamship having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1909. [8]

THE WORKS

are well equipped with the latest PLANTS and APPLIANCES to undertake BUILDING or REPAIRING SHIPS, ENGINES, and BOILERS, and also ELECTRICAL WORK.

A LARGE STOCK of MATERIALS is always kept on hand.

THE COMPANY has the powerful steam "OUEA-MARU" (712 tons, 700 I.H.P.) specially built for SALVAGE PURPOSES equipped with necessary gear, always ready for Short Notice.

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A WORN-OUT SYSTEM.

POSSIBILITIES OF FREE TRADE EXHAUSTED.

In our view this Budget is a confession that you have virtually exhausted the possibilities of a financial system based upon free imports. I believe that many who have been from the first staunch Free Traders are beginning to realize that our insular struggle in favour of Free Trade can no longer be continued with advantage—Lord Lansdowne in the House of Lords.

With the rapid approach of a general election in which Tariff Reform versus Free Trade will be the dominating issue, it becomes of special importance to examine the actual working of the two systems in the three great countries now competing for the world's trade, says the writer of a specially contributed article in the *Daily Mail*. From British Free Traders we hear day after day assertions such as these: "Protection must injure trade"; "Every import duty is a deterrent to exports."

The only effective answer to such talk as this is to look up the facts. In the recently published "Statistical Tables relating to British and Foreign Trade," supplemented by the Statistical Abstracts of England, Germany, and the United States, we have figures which are beyond dispute, and which, when interrogated, will put the Free Trader to confusion.

First, for the assertion that Protection must reduce exports. To test this we will take two years, far apart, as trade movements can be measured best over long periods. We shall start with 1890, about which date the German and American Tariffs were raised, and compare the figures of that year with those of 1908. If Free Trade has not proved its alleged immense superiority or Protection its alleged disastrous results in nineteen years, there must be something very wrong with the Free Trade theories. These, then, are the figures for exports—

	Britain	Germany	U.S.A.
1890	Millions of £ 263	163	176
1908	377	314	332
Gain in 19 yrs.	114	151	206
Percentage of gain on 1890 figure	43	92	117

The German and American gain, whether stated in the actual amount or in the percentage form, is enormously greater than that of Britain. Looking at the figures and the Free Traders' assertions, one would suppose that England was a Protectionist country, and that Germany and the United States were living under the Free Trade.

Next for manufactured exports. Here the British showing is even worse. The figures are:

	Britain	Germany	U.S.A.
1890	Millions of £ 285	105	37
1908	296	213	156
Gain in 19 yrs.	11	108	119
Percentage of gain on 1890 figure	71	103	321

The United States leads in point of actual gain. Germany follows; Free Trade England is a very bad third. Even if we allow that the American figure for 1890 is too small to serve as a satisfactory starting point, the greater comparative progress of Germany remains inexplicable on the Free Trade theories. And it must be remembered that in British manufactured exports there has been a steady deterioration so far as the British twenty years ago, which is still the case.

Manufactured goods, to-day we are exporting largely half-manufactured goods. The same is not true of Germany or the United States.

Imports, say the Free Traders, must decrease under Protection. Must they? Here are the figures:

	Britain	Germany	U.S.A.
1890	Millions of £ 420	224	164
1908	592	414	232
Gain in 19 yrs.	172	190	68
Percentage of gain on 1890 figure	41	84	41

The position of the United States is a peculiar one, as that country is self-dependent, producing practically everything that its people need. Hence American imports remain small. But Britain is outdistanced by Germany in the actual increase of her imports and in the percentage which that increase represents upon the figures for 1890. Importation in Germany's case has not been destroyed by Protection, but diverted to those articles which cannot readily be made at home. We see this still more clearly when we examine the figures for the imports of raw materials for manufacture. Here the British advance is much smaller than that of either of the two Protectionist States—

	Britain	Germany	U.S.A.
1890	Millions of £ 160	89	35
1908	203	183	75
Gain in 19 yrs.	43	96	40
Percentage of gain on 1890 figure	27	110	114

The actual gain and the percentage gain of Germany are enormously in advance of the British figures. The American percentage gain is also out of all comparison greater, and if the actual American import in 1908 is much smaller than the British, it must be remembered that the United States are themselves the greatest producers of raw materials in the world.

Adam Smith declared that population was the supreme test of prosperity. We need not admit this view without qualification; but undoubtedly, in the prosperous State population will increase rapidly, while the State which is outdistanced in man-power is in danger of position in a competitive world. Here the figures are:

	Britain	Germany	U.S.A.
1890	37,400,000	49,400,000	62,500,000
1908	44,500,000	62,900,000	87,100,000
Gain in 19 years	7,100,000	13,500,000	24,500,000
Percentage of gain on 1890 figure	19	27	39

The Free Trade country is at the bottom of the list.

"Yes," says the Free Trader, "but in the Free Trade State the home market is more prosperous than in the protected State." He says this because he knows that it is difficult to test his assertion by statistics. But there are three sets of figures which supply some indication: gross railway receipts, which show the movement of traffic; coal consumption, which indicates the activity of manufacture; and

production of pig-iron, as the quantity of iron produced depends mainly on the prosperity of the home trade.

GROSS RAILWAY RECEIPTS.

	Britain	Germany	U.S.A.
1890	Millions of £ 79.9	65	219
1908	121.5	137	539
Increase in 19 yrs.	41.6	72	320
Percentage of increase on 1890 figure	52	107	146

Traffic in Germany and the United States has increased twice or three times as fast as in the Free Trade country. With coal consumption it is the same.

COAL CONSUMPTION.

	Britain	Germany	U.S.A.
1890	Millions of tons 151	104	125
1908	197.5	213	360
Increase in 19 yrs.	46.5	109	235
Percentage of increase on 1890 figure	31	104	38

Finally, let us take pig-iron production. A generation ago England was absolutely supreme in this. After thirty years of Free Trade on her part and Protection on the part of her rivals, how does she stand?

PIG IRON PRODUCTION.

	Britain	Germany	U.S.A.
1890	Millions of tons 7.9	4.6	9.2
1908	9.1	11.6	15.9
Increase in 19 yrs.	1.2	7.0	6.7
Percentage of increase on 1890 figure	15	152	73

The German advance is ten times our own; the American is more than four times ours. Both countries have passed us in the race.

Is it not time, in view of these figures, for sensible business men to turn from what Jevons described many years ago as the "many and preposterous assumptions" of the Ricardo school, and to adopt a fiscal policy based on British needs and on a study of facts?

THE HORROR OF IT.

Vigorous, healthy folks simply cannot imagine what a consolidated horror, what a death-in-life, Indigestion is. They speak lightly of it. "Oh, I think I have a touch of Indigestion," they say, or, "poor Mrs. So-and-So has some trouble with her stomach." "A touch," or "some trouble," forsooth! When people use these phrases somebody is near the danger line. Of all the ills that afflict humanity none causes such an ocean of misery as Indigestion. It destroys annually, directly and indirectly, more lives than consumption, cancer and cholera combined. When digestion fails, life itself ebbs away, just as a steam engine stops when the coal gives out. And for the very same reason. Food is the source of energy, action, health, strength—only when it is properly digested. If you cannot digest your food—as the furnace burns the coal—your heat, power, energy must run down. Continue this condition and your engines will stop!

Food that lies in your stomach undigested is doing untold harm by distilling poisons, acid gases, that first taint the blood and then are carried by that blood all through your system. This poison clogs the brain, inflames the nerves, muscles and joints and stagnates all the natural functions. Constipation, Headaches, sleeplessness, pains and wind in the stomach after eating; dizziness and other wretched feelings, follow.

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It is easy to understand why Mother Seigel's Syrup so rarely cures Indigestion—when we tell you that it is a purely herbal medicine; it is made from the curative extracts of certain roots, barks and leaves, that have specific action on the stomach, liver and bowels. There are no drastic after-effects. It simply cures strengths, helps the natural action of your system.

Mother Seigel's Syrup is also prepared in Tablet form, as Mother Seigel's Syrup Tablets. Price 2/6. [74.2]

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 30th at 12.1 p.m.—The barometer has risen moderately at Vladivostok and in N.E. Japan, and fallen moderately elsewhere.

The depression lying to the North of Japan yesterday has moved away over the Pacific. The other depression remains over the Yangtze valley.

Pressure is highest over the Pacific to the S.E. of Japan.

Light variable winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and moderate to light monsoon over the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:

Hongkong & Neighbourhood (*) Variable winds, light.

Formosa Channel Same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamooks. Same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. Same as No. 1.

(*) E. winds, moderate or light; fair at first, probably some rain later.

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Hongkong, 26th October, 1906. [1314]

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NORTH-BOUND.		SOUTH-BOUND.	
Leave—Shanghai (Steamer)	Arrive—Dairen	Leave—Dairen	Arrive—Shanghai (Russian Train)
Ar. — "Kobe Maru"	12.00 a.m.	Thurs. Saturday	11.25 a.m.
Ar. — "Sakito Maru"	9.45 p.m.	Thurs. Sunday	9.40 p.m.
Ar. — "Kobe Maru"	10.10 p.m.	Mon. —	10.00 p.m.
Ar. — "Sakito Maru"	5.30 p.m.	Wed. —	5.05 a.m.
Ar. — "Kobe Maru"	6.30 a.m.	Thurs. —	5.20 a.m.
Ar. — "Sakito Maru"	3.20 p.m.	Thurs. —	3.00 p.m.

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ARRIVALS.

BUSA, Norwegian str., V. A. Andersen, 30th Dec.—Tomburg 17th October and Singapore 13th Dec.—Waller & Co.
 DIEFFLINGER, German str., 9,060, G. Meiners, 30th Dec.—Bremen 17th Nov., Mails and General—Melchers & Co.
 HANYANG, British str., 1,207, Trowbridge, 29th Dec.—Wuhu 24th December, General—Butterfield & Swire.
 KWANGSEI, British str., 30th Dec.—Canton, Oscar II, Norwegian str., 1,999, Kjos, 30th Dec.—Hongs 27th Dec., General—Waller & Co.
 PALAWAN, British str., 2,992, C. R. Longdon, 30th Dec.—Shanghai 27th Dec., General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 RAJAH, German str., 1,275, F. Thorl, 29th Dec.—Bangkok 19th December, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
 SHANGHAI, British str., 5,734, W. T. Larkins, 30th Dec.—Rangoon via Straits 14th Dec., General—Chinese.
 THORNDIS, Norwegian str., 1,091, Jorgensen, 30th Dec.—Hankow and Swatow 29th Dec., Rice—Kin Tye Lung.
 TOMAYE MARU, Japanese str., 1,601, K. Yasuma, 29th Dec.—Mojito 23rd December, Coal—Order.
 WRAY CASTLE, British str., 4,399, Wm. Lightoller, 30th Dec.—Kobe via Kanton 23rd Dec., General—Doddwell & Co.
 YAMSHING, British str., 30th Dec.—Canton.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

30th December.
 BUKHIAN, French str., for Haiphong.
 DUFFING, German str., for Shanghai.
 HANOI, French str., for Quang Chow Wan.
 HANYANG, British str., for Canton.
 KATHLE, German str., for Pakhoi.
 PRINCE SIGISMUND, German str., for Australia.
 SURETE, British str., for Manila.
 TOMAYE MARU, Jap. str., for Moji.

DEPARTURES.

30th December.
 ANHUI, British str., for Canton.
 ANTILOCHUS, British str., for Kobe.
 BENLAGE, British str., for Nagasaki.
 CHENAN, British str., for Shanghai.
 DREWENT, British str., for Saigon.
 HAYMAN, British str., for Swatow.
 KINGING, British str., for Shanghai.
 MERAPI, Dutch str., for Amoy.
 PALAWAN, British str., for Singapore.
 PENNSYLVANIA, U.S. cruiser, for Nagasaki.
 PANGLOSS, British str., for Shanghai.
 SHINSHU MARU, Jap. str., for Moji.
 SUEVIA, German str., for Singapore.
 TINGSONG, British str., for Shanghai.
 WEST VIRGINIA, U.S. cruiser, for Nagasaki.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Seangsee* reports: Strong N.E. gales and high sea.
 The British str. *Wray Castle* reports: Light variable breezes and fine weather.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

December 30th.
 KOWLOON DOCK.—H.M.S. *Rainha*, *Amelia*, *Hilary*, *Rio*, *Imo*, *Robert Lebrandy*, *Hougang*, *Hein Kong*, *Asencia*.

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THE Steamship

"DELHI", Captain G. W. Gordon, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this office for Bombay, etc., on SATURDAY, the 8th January, 1910, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's s.s. "MOREA", 11,000 tons, from Colombo, passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France and the West for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other cargo for London, etc., will be conveyed via Bombay by the R.M.S. "DELHI", due in London on the 19th February, 1910. Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required. For further particulars, apply to E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1909. [1]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON, ROTTERDAM AND AMSTERDAM.

THE Steamship

"CARDIGANSHIRE", Captain W. O. Tyers, will be despatched as above about the 19th January.

For Further Particulars, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1909. [1512]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LTD.

FOR MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"PEMBROKESHIRE", Captain R. Hayes, will be despatched as above about the 25th January.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1909. [1513]

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessels, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k," nearest Hongkong "h," midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAMES.	FLAG & REG.	BIRTH.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO.	TO BE DESPATCHED.
LONDON, &c., VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL.	DELHI	Brit. str.	—	G. W. Gordon, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 8th Jan., at Noon.
ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP &c.	CARDIGANSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	W. O. Tyers	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 19th Jan.
HAYVE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	BRISGAVIA	Ger. str.	—	Schwinghammer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 5th Jan.
COPENHAGEN & BALTIC PORTS	SENEGAMBIA	Ger. str.	—	Eckhorn	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 5th Jan.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL.	SCANDIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	v. Dohren	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 15th Jan.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	INDIEN	Swed. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & Co.	Middle of Febr.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, COPENHAGEN, &c.	POLYNESIEN	French str.	—	Droc	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 4th Jan., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	TANGO MARU	Jap. str.	—	A. Christiansen	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 5th Jan., at D'light
MARSEILLES, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG, &c.	CANTON	Dan. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & Co.	About 5th Jan.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	KAMO MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. L. Sommer	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 19th Jan., at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SITHONIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Brehmer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 20th Jan.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PEMBROKESHIRE	Brit. str.	—	R. Hayes	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 25th Jan.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	AKI MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Sato	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 2nd Feb., at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	BRASILIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Filler	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 10th Febr.
NEW YORK	WRAY CASTLE	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 4th Jan.
NEW YORK	VANDALIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Karberg	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 19th Jan.
VANCOUVER, B.C., TACOMA & SEATTLE VIA JAPAN, &c.	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	2 m.	J. Boyd	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	To-morrow, at 7 A.M.
VANCOUVER, B.C., TACOMA & SEATTLE VIA JAPAN, &c.	SUEVIC	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 13th Jan.
VANCOUVER, B.C., TACOMA & SEATTLE VIA JAPAN, &c.	MONTEAGLE	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 15th Feb., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, &c.	INADA MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 8th Jan.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, &c.	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Saito	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 19th Jan.
TACOMA VIA JAPAN	SEATTLE MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 21st Jan., at Noon.
CALLAO, IQUIQUE, &c., VIA JAPAN PORTS, &c.	KIYO MARU	Jap. str.	—	D. Lenz	TOTO KISEN KAISHA	On 25th Feb., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	PRINCE SIGISMUND	Brit. str.	1 m.	G. W. Eidy	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th Jan., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	CHANGSHA	Jap. str.	—	T. Sekine	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 21st Jan., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	KAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Feb., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Raegenner	MELCHERS & Co.	About 8th Jan.
YOKOHAMA AND KOBE	COBLENZ	Ger. str.	—	R. Takeda	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 8th Jan., at D'light
YOKOHAMA AND KOBE	INADA MARU	Jap. str.	—	Wm. Thompson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 14th Jan., at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATSUBA MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 19th Jan., at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	P. J. van Emmerick	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LLOYD	Quick despatch.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TUJLATAP	Dut. str.	—	V. McLymont-Liddell	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 3rd Jan., at 4 P.M.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & CHINWANTAO	CHEONGHONG	Brit. str.	—	C. J. Fenton, R.N.R.	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 1st Jan.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SUMATRA	Brit. str.	—	Martin	MELCHERS & Co.	On 3rd Jan. P.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NEBA	Ger. str.	—	G. Meiners	MELCHERS & Co.	To-day, at 9 A.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	DEEFLINGER	Brit. str.	1 m.	F. Wheeler	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-morrow, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KWONGSANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 2nd Jan., at D'light
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	ANHUI	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 2nd Jan., at D'light
SHANGHAI	YATSHING	Brit. str.	—	Sandbrook	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 4th Jan.
SHANGHAI	TOTOMI MARU	Jap. str.	—	R. Smith	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 5th Jan.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	BRASILIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Schwinghammer	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 6th Jan., at D'light
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	BUJUN MARU	Jap. str.	—	Y. Fueno	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 6th Jan., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	LIAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	C. Lindbergh	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 7th Jan.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW	DEVANHA	Brit. str.	1 m.	H. Powell	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 15th Jan., at D'light
SHANGHAI	CHINHUA	Brit. str.	—	Sachs	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 15th Jan.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SEGOVIA	Dut. str.	k. w.	—	MELCHERS & Co.	On 17th Jan.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	INDIEN	Dut. str.	—	Jurriaanse	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 21st Jan., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PRINCE SIGISMUND	Brit. str.	—	K. Sugi	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LLOYD	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YUENANG	Jap. str.	—	H. Murayama	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 5th Jan., at 8 A.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SOHSHU MARU	Jap. str.	—	Sidford	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 2nd Jan., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	DAIOI MARU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SZOROVEN	Brit. str.	2 h.	—	DOUGLAS LAFRAIR & Co.	On 2nd Jan., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HAIYANG	Brit. str.	2 h.	—	DOUGLAS LAFRAIR & Co.	On 4th Jan., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HAICHING	Brit. str.	2 h.	—	DOUGLAS LAFRAIR & Co.	On 7th Jan., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	RUBI	Brit. str.	—	W. W. Almon	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	To-day, at 5 P.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YUENANG	Brit. str.	—	P. H. Rolfe	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YUAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	A. W. Outerbridge	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 4th Jan., at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YUAN	Brit. str.	—	R. Bodger	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 7th Jan., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YUAN	Brit. str.	—	Pennethorpe	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 8th Jan., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YUAN	Brit. str.	—	Weigall	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th Jan., at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YUAN	Brit. str.	—	M. B. Lake	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 5th Jan., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YUAN	Brit. str.	—	E. A. Hull	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 11th Jan.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YUAN	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-day, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YUAN	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 1st Jan., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YUAN	Brit. str.	—	—	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LLOYD	Quick despatch

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	"DEEFLINGER" Capt. G. MEINERS	[Friday, 31st Dec., at 9 A.M.]
MANILA, Y.A.P., FRIEDRICH WILHELMSHAFEN, SIMPSON, HAFEN, SAMARAT AND SYDNEY	"PRINZ SIGISMUND" Capt. D. LENZ	[Friday, 31st Dec., at 10 A.M.]
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	"COBLENZ" Capt. H. RAEGENNER	[About Saturday, 8th January.]

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"MONTEAGLE" Tuesday, 15th Feb.	
"EMPERESS OF INDIA" Sat., 26th Feb.	"EMPERESS OF IRELAND" Fri., 25th Mar.
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"NEKA" Capt. Martin	[On 3rd Jan., P.M.]
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	"POLYNESIEN" Capt. Broc	[On 4th Jan., 1 P.M.]
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"TOURANE" Capt. Bourgo	[On 17th Jan., P.M.]
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	"OCEANIE" Capt. Sollier	[On 18th Jan., 1 P.M.]

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	SUMATRA Capt. C. J. Benton	About 1st Jan.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	DEVANHA Capt. H. Powell	About 7th Jan.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	DELHI Capt. G. W. Gordon, R.N.R.	Noon, 8th Jan.	See Special Advertisement.

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E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1909.

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMOI, TSINGTAI, WEIHAIWEI and CHEFOO	"SZECHUEN"	On 31st Dec, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	On 2nd Jan, D'light
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 4th Jan, 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 6th Jan, 4 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK-TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY with Transhipment for TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, ADELAIDE, FREMANTLE and PERTH	"CHANGSHA"	On 8th Jan, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA"	On 9th Jan, D'light
MANILA	"PAMING"	On 11th Jan, 3 P.M.

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DESTINATION	STEAMERS	DATE OF SAILING.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, COPENHAGEN, GOTHENBURG and BALTIC PORTS	"CANTON"	About 5th Jan., 1910.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"INDIEN"	On 17th Jan.
COPENHAGEN and BALTIC PORTS	"INDIEN"	Middle of Febr.,

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
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MANILA	"YUENSANG"	Friday, 31st Dec, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	"KWONGSANG"	Saturday, 1st Jan, Noon.
SHANGHAI	"YATSHING"	Sunday, 2nd Jan, D'light.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & CHIAOYANG	"CHEONGSHING"	Monday, 3rd Jan, 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUMSANG"	Wed' day, 5th Jan, Noon.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG"	Wed' day, 5th Jan, Noon.
MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	Friday, 7th Jan, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	"FOOKSANG"	Friday, 21st Jan, Noon.

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"HAIYANG"	SWATOW, AMOI and FOCHOOW.	TUESDAY, 4th Jan. at 10 A.M., 1910.
"HAIHING"	SWATOW, AMOI and FOCHOOW.	FRIDAY, 7th Jan. at 10 A.M., 1910.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
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DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	Tons.	SAILING DATES.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	TANGO MARU Capt. A. Christensen	8,000	WED' DAY, 5th Jan. at Daylight.
	KAMO MARU Capt. F. L. Sommer	9,000	WED' DAY, 19th Jan. at Daylight.
	AKI MARU Capt. K. Sato	7,000	WED' DAY, 2nd Feb. at Daylight.

VICTORIA B.C. & SEATTLE (INABA MARU leaving Hongkong 8th Jan., due Kobe 13th Jan., connects)	AWA MARU Capt. A. Keith	5,500	WED' DAY, 19th Jan. from YOKOHAMA.
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VICTORIA B.C. & SEATTLE (NIKKO MARU leaving Hongkong 19th Jan., due Kobe 25th & Yokohama 27th Jan., connects)	SANUKI MARU Capt. K. Homma	6,500	SATURDAY, 29th Jan. from KOBE.
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SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	YAWATA MARU Capt. T. Sokino	5,000	FRIDAY, 21st Jan. at Noon.
	NIKKO MARU Capt. M. Yagi	6,000	THURSDAY, 17th Febr. at Noon.

SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE	TOTOMI MARU Capt. R. Smith	4,500	TUESDAY, 4th January.
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KOBE and YOKOHAMA	INABA MARU Capt. R. Takeda	5,500	SATURDAY, 8th Jan. at Daylight.
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BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	TOSA MARU Capt. Y. Nomura	6,000	TUESDAY, 11th January.
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NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	ATSUTA MARU Capt. Wm. Thompson	9,000	FRIDAY, 14th Jan. at Noon.
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NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU Capt. M. Yagi	6,000	WED' DAY, 19th Jan. at Noon.
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T. KUSUMOTO,
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Hongkong, 30th December, 1909.

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S.S. SEGOVIA ... 15th Jan.	S.S. HAVRE & HAMBURG:
S.S. SAMBIA ... 2nd Febr.	S.S. BENEGAMBIA ... 5th Jan.
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S.S. SAXONIA ... 17th Febr.	FOR MARSEILLES, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG:
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S.S. AMBRIA ... 12th March.	FOR MARSEILLES & HAMBURG:
	S.S. BRASILIA ... 10th Fe.
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Steamer	Tons	Steamer	Tons	
ARCADIA	7000	MANTUA	11000	March 5
ASSAYE	7500	PERSEA	7951	March 19
DELTA	8000	MALWA	11000	March 25
MACEDONIA	10500	(Through Steamer calling at Bombay)		April 2
DEVANHA	8000	MONGOLIA	10500	April 16
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SYRIA	January about 26	March about 12
SUMATRA	February 9	March 25
NYANZA	February 23	April 9
SUNDA	March 23	May 7
NILE	April 20	June 4
SARDINIA	May 4	June 18
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NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS.

To-morrow, and on Monday, the 3rd of January, 1910, the office will be open from 8 till 9 a.m.
In the event of the arrival of the French Mail from Europe on the 3rd January, the Post Office
will open for one hour only for the delivery thereof.
There will be one delivery and one collection of letters as on Sunday, and the Money Order
Office will be entirely closed on the above dates.

Postal Guides for the Year 1910 are now on sale 50 cents each.

The Siberian mail will in future be sent from Shanghai to Dally via Chofoo if no steamer
is available from Shanghai to Dally direct.

The Nera, with the French mail of the 3rd December, left Singapore on Tuesday, the 28th
inst., at 6 a.m. and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 4th Jan., at a.m. This
packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 30th October.

FOR	PER	DATE.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA, Hohow and Pakhoi	Derfingier Matilde	Friday, 31st, 8.00 A.M. Friday, 31st, 9.00 A.M.
Manila, Yokohama, Friedrichshafen, Rahall, Harbortahoe, Matupi, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Dunedin, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle	Prinz Sigismund	Friday, 31st, 9.00 A.M.
Quang Chow Wan, Hohow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Hanoi	Friday, 31st, 11.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Namsung	Friday, 31st, 11.00 A.M.
Manila	Phuquang	Friday, 31st, 1.00 P.M.
Singapore	Sai Tai	Friday, 31st, 1.15 P.M.
Manila	Oscar II.	Friday, 31st, 2.00 P.M.
Singapore	Bracmar	Friday, 31st, 2.00 P.M.
Manila	Sechuan	Friday, 31st, 3.00 P.M.
Singapore	Yunnan	Friday, 31st, 3.00 P.M.
Manila	Zafiro	Friday, 31st, 4.00 P.M.
Hohow	Amigo	Friday, 31st, 5.00 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBÉ, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA & VANCOUVER, B.C., SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE.	Empress of Japan	Registration, Kowloon B.C., 4.00 P.M. Printed Matter and Sam- ples 5.00 P.M. Letters 6.00 P.M. —JANUARY—
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBÉ, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO, SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE.	Manchuria	Saturday, 1st, Letters 9.00 A.M.

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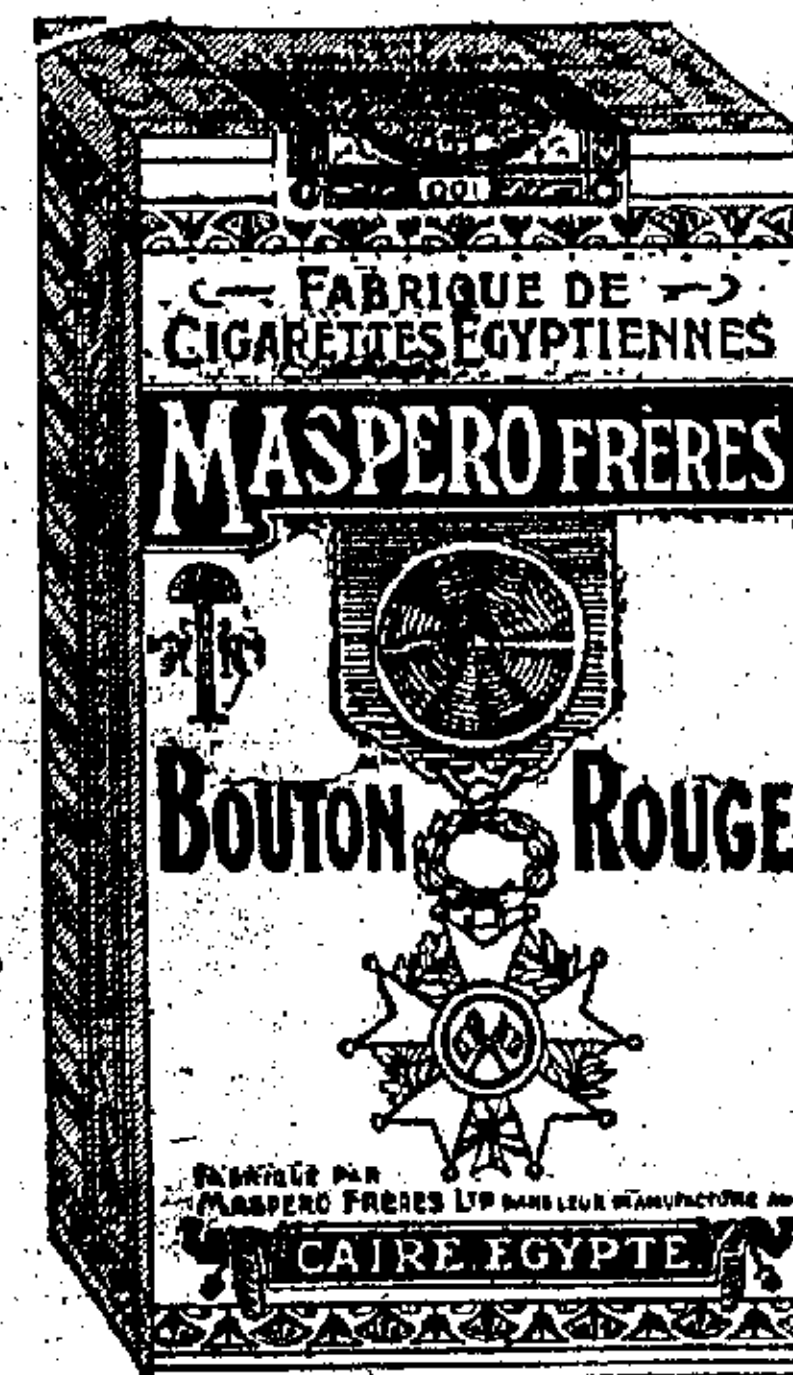


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SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 30TH, 1909.

STOCKS	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTA- TIONS CASH.
BANKS.				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$1,000, sales
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	\$7	\$6	\$65, buyers
Bank of Communications, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	\$10, buyers
China Bank, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$12, buyers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$1	\$1	\$6, buyers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	\$10	\$9, buyers
COTTON MILLS.				
Yong Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 135.
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$64.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 73.
Loan Kung-Mow Co. Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 110.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 425.
DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED	40,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	\$16 1/2, sellers
DOCKS AND WHARVES.				
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$61, sales
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$63	\$63	\$9, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 76.
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	35,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 129.
Swire & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$11, sellers
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$7 1/2, sales
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	all	\$210, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$20, sellers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50 1/2	\$50	\$77 1/2, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	8,000	\$25	\$25	\$45, buyers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	5,000	\$25	all	\$180, sellers
INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$145.
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$118, sellers
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	\$92, sal. & buy.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$370, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$215	\$25	Tls. 112 1/2.
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$390.
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$50	\$230.
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.				
Hongkong Land Invest. Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$102, sales
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	all	\$34, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	\$50	\$30, sellers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 80	Tls. 80	Tls. 120.
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$44, sellers
MINING.				
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	\$625, buyers
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	18/10	\$64, sellers
PEAK TRAMWAYS CO., LIMITED	25,000	\$10	all	\$134, sellers
Philippine Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	\$1	\$130, sellers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$157, buyers
London Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$21, sellers
Robinson Pisco Co., Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$50, sellers
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$8, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$30, buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Mexico S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$23 1/2, L'don
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 pref.	\$5	all	\$20 1/2, L'don
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	\$10	\$1	\$1 1/2, buyers
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$14 1/2, buyers
South China Morning Post. Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	\$24, buyers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	\$5, sellers
STORES AND DISPENSARIES.				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	15,000	\$10	all	\$10.
Wm. Powell, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$7	\$3, sellers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$74, sellers
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$10, buyers
Weissmann, Limited	3,000	\$10	\$10	\$12 1/2, buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,500 ordy.	\$10	\$10	\$300.
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	100 flders	\$10	\$10	\$10, sales
RUBBERS.				
Balgownie	—	—	—	\$80 (Sts.)
Pagosa	—	—	—	\$22
Ragalla	—	—	—	\$26
Anglo-Malays	—	—	—	15/9, sales
Cassidofield, fully paid	—	—	—	\$24-60, buyers
Consolidated Malays	—	—	—	\$24-00, buyers
Damansaras	—	—	—	6/1- buyers
Highlands and Lowlands	—	—	—	3/2 prem.
Kuaningans	—	—	—	10/5, buyers
Kuala Lumpur	—	—	—	50/-
Leahurst's	—	—	—	16/- buyers
Linggis	—	—	—	22/6, buyers
Sapagos	—	—	—	30/-
Shelfords	—	—	—	72/6
Sungei-pars Ka	—	—	—	—
Loans.				
Chinese Imperial 1895	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7% p. annum	Per.

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SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS	AGENTS	ARRIVAL
AMIGO, German str., 922, H. Fraudson, 28th Dec.—Hohow 25th Dec., Coal and Rice—Jensen & Co.		
ANRU, British str., 1,350, J. B. Harris, 29th Dec.—Shanghai 25th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.		
APOLLO, British str., 2,433, H. V. Reay, 27th Dec.—Mauritius, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
ASANTIA, German str., 1,291, Clausen, 21st Dec.—Wuhu 15th Dec., Rice—Hamburg-America Linie.		
BINHTRUAN, French str., 984, Chomienne, 27th Dec.—Haiphong 24th Dec., Rice—Lung Leong.		
BRAMER, British str., 2,314, Saxby, 29th Dec.—Fochow 27th Dec., General—Doddwell & Co.		
BHAND, Norwegian str., 1,519, Evensen, 15th Dec.—Chinkiang 9th Dec., General—Wallen & Co.		
CHONGSHING, British str., 1,255, O. McLeod, 25th Dec.—Chingwantao 19th Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
CHINTU, Chinese str., 2,260, A. Agensen, 26th Dec.—Taichang 21st Dec., Salt—Wallen & Co.		
CHYO MARU, Japanese str., 7,250, W. W. Greene, 27th Dec.—San Francisco 30th Nov., General—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.		
DAIGO MARU, Japanese str., 864, H. Murayama, 29th Dec.—Swatow 28th Dec., Tea and General—Ozaka Shosen Kaisha.		
DEWONG, Ger. str., 1,050, P. Rehwalde, 27th Dec.—Bangkok and Swatow 26th Dec., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.		
EMPRESS OF JAPAN, British str., 3,039, H. Pybus, R.N.R., 9th Dec.—Yokohama 18th Nov., Mails and General—C. P. R. Co.		
FAUSANG, British str., 1,410, H. S. Malkin, 29th Dec.—Probolinggo 19th Dec., Sugar—Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
HANOI, French str., 630, J. Pannier, 28th Dec.—Haiphong, Pakhoi, Hohow and Quang Chow Wan 23rd Dec., General—A. R. Marty.		
HARZ, Dutch str., 7,200, M. Ridley, 27th Dec.—Mojito 21st Dec., Coal—Order.		
HSING TRUNG, Chinese str., 808, Marhusson, 25th Dec.—Chinkiang 20th Dec., Beans and Ground Nuts—Order.		
HSIN KONG, Chinese str., 1,262, Hamblin, 27th Dec.—Shanghai 22nd and Swatow 26th Dec., General—C. M. S. N. Co.		
IDONNETS, British str., 4,250, R. A. Tilletson, 12th Dec.—Saigon 8th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.		
KAIYUKU MARU, Japanese str., 1,903, S. Suda, 17th Dec.—Mojito 11th Dec., Coal—Bradley.		
KASHING, British str., 1,215, Lavers, 25th Dec.—Weihaiwei 20th Dec., Salt and General—Butterfield & Swire.		
KIANG CHING, Chinese str., 1,002, Brinsford, 26th Dec.—Chinkiang 17th Dec., General—Chinese.		
KONGSHANG, Ger. str., 1,292, O. Scheidling, 22nd Dec.—Bangkok 10th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.		
KUICHOW, British str., 1,240, W. B. Brown, 21st Dec.—Pien-tsin 12th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.		
KUWANG, British str., 2,078, E. J. Baller, 29th Dec.—Calcutta, Penang and Singapore 20th Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
KWANGSE, British str., 1,228, H. Matthews, 27th Dec.—Chinkiang 24th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.		
KWANGSANG, British str., 1,042, Dawson, 23rd Dec.—Taichang 19th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.		
KWONGSANG, British str., 1,429, Baker, 29th Dec.—Shanghai 24th and Swatow 27th Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
LAETTES, British str., 1,340, Frampton, 29th Dec.—Saigon 23rd Dec., General—Chinese.		
MANCHURIA, American str., 8,750, A. Dixon, 25th Dec.—San Francisco via Japan and Manila 23rd Nov., Mails and General—P. M. S.S. Co.		
MATHILDE, German str., 831, A. Ullendorp, 28th Dec.—Ajira (Sam.) 5th Dec., General—Jensen & Co.		
MAUSANG, British str., 1,344, G. S. Weigall, 24th Dec.—Sandakan 18th Dec., Timber and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
NAMANG, British str., 2,591, P. M. B. Lake, 22nd Dec.—Yokohama, Kobe and Moji 17th Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
NANSHAN, British str., 1,299, Allan Jones, 29th Dec.—Saigon 23rd Dec., Rice—Order.		
ONPA, British str., 5,809, W. Cope Lyoett, 27th Dec.—Taichang via Ports 1st Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.		

PREUMPER, British str., 1,065, Jas. H. Scott, 23rd Dec.—Saigon 17th Dec., Rice and General—W. O. Fat Sing.

PULANANG, German str., 1,021, Heynse, 24th Dec.—Anghin 13th Dec., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.

PRINZ SIGISMUND, German str., 1,200, D. Leaz, 28th Dec.—Kobe 22nd Dec., General—Melchers & Co.

PROKENT, Norwegian str., 746, Christiansen, 22nd Dec.—Daly 15th Dec., Beans—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.

PRONTO, Norwegian str., 838, Th. Seeborg, 14th Dec.—Shanghai 10th Dec.—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.

SHENGKING, British str., 1,034, E. B. Simon, 25th Dec.—Chingwantao 19th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.

SUBIRIO, British str., 3,234, S. Shotton, 26th Dec.—Padana 17th Nov., General—Doddwell & Co.

SZECHUEN, British str., 1,142, Stidford, 25th Dec.—Chinkiang 21st Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.

TAIAN MARU, Japanese str., 1,234, Nasu, 28th Dec.—Mojito 23rd Dec., Coal—Chinese.

TAIKORAN MARU, Japanese str., 1,994, Fukui, 17th Dec.—Mojito 11th Dec., Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

TIENSHIN, British str., 1,228, F. Royd, 25th Dec.—Chinkiang 22nd Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.

TRIUMPH, German str., 769, Jacobsen, 17th Dec.—Manila 18th Dec., Ballast—Jensen & Co.

TSINTAU, German str., 1,602, F. Bucking, 28th Dec.—Bangkok 18th Dec., Rice and Meal—Butterfield & Swire.

TSURUGIHAN MARU, Japanese str., W. Nagata, 12th Dec.—Mojito 7th Dec., Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

YATSHING, British str., 1,424, R. Houghton, 27th Dec.—Wuhu and Chinkiang 23rd Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

YUENSANG, British str., 1,128, P. H. Rolfe, 27th Dec.—Manila 24th Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

ZAFIRO, British str., 1,629, R. Rodgers, 27th Dec.—Manila 24th Dec., Hemp and General—Shewna, Jones & Co.

COMET, British barque, 2,890, W. J. Davis, 18th Nov.—New York—Oil—Standard Oil Co.

LYNDHURST, British ship, 2,244, Parnell, 16th Oct.—Canton 15th Oct., Ballast—Standard Oil Co.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE INDIAN MAIL.
The Apor str. Arratoon Apar from Calcutta left Singapore on the 28th instant afternoon, and may be expected here on or about the 3rd prox.

THE FRENCH MAIL.
The M.M. str. Nera with the French Mail of the 31st inst., and mails from London, at 4th inst., left Singapore via Saigon on the 25th inst., at 6 a.m., and is expected to arrive here on or about the 4th prox., and will probably leave for Shanghai and Japan on the same afternoon.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.
The I.G.M. str. Coblenz left Sydney on Thursday, the 16th inst., at noon, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 7th prox.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.
The C.P.R. str. Empress of China left Vancouver for Hongkong on the 18th instant a.m., via the usual ports of call.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The P.M. str. Asia left Yokohama on the 27th instant, and is scheduled to arrive at this port on the 5th prox.

MECHANICAL STEAMERS.
The P. & O. str. Sunatra left Singapore for this port on the 25th inst., at 5 p.m., and is due here to-day, at about 4 p.m.

The str. Knight of Thistle left Tacoma on the 18th instant for Yokohama, Kobe, Moji, Hongkong and Manila.

The Bank Line str. Oceano left Vancouver on the 21st inst., for Hongkong via Japan ports. The C.N. Co.'s str. Linan left Shanghai on the 30th inst., and may be expected here on the 2nd prox.

The N.Y.K. str. Tokoro Maru (Bombay Line) left Singapore on the 25th inst., and is expected here on the 3rd prox.

The N.Y.K. str. Tanaka Maru (European Line) left Moji on the 27th instant, and is expected here on the 3rd prox.

The H.A. Line str. Brasilia left Bangkok on the 28th inst. a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 4th prox.

The Danish str. Indien left Port Said on the 20th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 17th prox.

The Eng. Hok Fong S.S. Co.'s str. Persea sailed for Hongkong, via Mazatlan and Guaymas on the 21st inst., and is due here on or about the 24th prox.

PASSENGERS.

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